



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Masami ADACHI et al.

Group Art Unit: 3724

Application No.: 10/058,374

Examiner: Poe

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Docket No.: 111781

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CUTTING AND SHAPING RUBBER  
BAND MEMBERS

**CONFIRMATION OF TELEPHONE ELECTION**

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Sir:

A telephone requirement for restriction was made in connection with the  
above-identified patent application on January 30, 2004.

The undersigned confirms that in response to that telephone requirement, a  
provisional election was made to prosecute Group I, claims 1-6.

Said provisional election was specifically made with traverse since no basis  
therefor has been set forth in the written record.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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